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Intimations.

THE AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND
BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY General MEETING of
the Company will be held at its
REGISTERED OFFICES, 38 and 40, Queen's
Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 3rd
February next, at Noon, when the Sub-
joined Resolution, which was passed at the
Extraordinary Meeting of the Company held
on the 18th January instant, will be sub-
mitted for Confirmation as a Special Reso-
lution.

"That the Austin Arms Hotel and
Building Company, Limited, be wound-
up voluntarily under the provisions of
the Company's Ordinances, 1885 to 1890,
and that Hans Beck, of Victoria, in the
Colony of Hongkong be and he is hereby
appointed Liquidator for the purposes of
such winding up."

By Order,

JOHN A. JUPP,
Secretary
Hongkong, January 19, 1894. 140

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fifty-Fifth Ordinary Half-Yearly
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS
in the Company will be held at the Office
of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings,
Queen's Road Central, on FRIDAY, the
2nd February, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors, together with a Statement of
the Company's Assets to the 31st December,
declaring Dividends, and electing Directors
and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 20th Instant to
the 2nd February, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary
Hongkong, January 15, 1894. 106

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is con-
ducted by the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANKING CORPO-
RATION. Rules may be obtained on ap-
plication.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at
3½ PER CENT. per annum. Depositors
may transfer at their option balances of
\$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on
FIXED DEPOSIT at 5 PER CENT. per
annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, May 16, 1893. 105

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN,
AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £2,000,000.
CAPITAL CALLED UP, 261,093,15,00.

Bankers:

CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

Head Office:
3, PRINCES STREET, LONDON.

Branches:

BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.

Agencies:

PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST

Allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed
Deposits can be ascertained on application.

Every description of Banking and Ex-
change business transacted.

CHANTREY INGBOLD,

Manager.
Hongkong, November 6, 1893. 247

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,000,000.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Directors:

D. GILLES, Esq. H. STOUTFORTH, Esq.
CHAN KIT SHAN, CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq.

KWAN HOI CHUEN, Esq.

Chief Manager.

GEO. W. P. PEATTIE.

Branches:

LONDON, YOKOHAMA, SHANGHAI AND
AMOY.

Bankers:

THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF SCOTLAND,
PARIS BANKING CO., AND THE ALLIANCE
BANK (LTD.).

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%.

Hongkong, May 24, 1893.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-IN CAPITAL, \$10,000,000.
RESERVE FUND, \$3,900,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF \$10,000,000.
PROPERTIES, \$10,000,000.

Court of Directors:

H. HOPKINS, Esq.—Chairman.

C. J. HOLDMAN, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.

R. M. Gray, Esq. John Kramer, Esq.

Carl Jantzen, Esq. A. M. Morris, Esq.

H. H. Joseph, Esq. D. R. Saunderson, Esq.

Chief Manager:

Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.

Manager:

Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING CO., LTD.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts at the rate of 2
per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months 3 per cent. per annum.

For 12 months 5%.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, October 10, 1893. 100

On Current Accounts at the rate of 2
per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months 3 per cent. per annum.

For 12 months 5%.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, October 10, 1893. 100

Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

KEROSINE WARMING STOVES.

KEROSINE COOKING STOVES.

AMERICAN COAL STOVES.

Fenders and Fire Irons.

NEW LAWN MOWING MACHINES.

TENNIS NETS and POLES.

TENNIS BATS and BALLS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, December 20, 1893. 223

W. POWELL & CO.

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE

FOR
FOURTEEN DAYS ONLY,

COMMENCING

TUESDAY, the 23rd January, 1894.

DETAILED BILLS FREE ON APPLICATION.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, January 20, 1894. 142

HONGKONG TRADING CO.

J U S T R E C E I V E D

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S

BOOTS AND SHOES

(ALL SIZES).

HONGKONG TRADING CO.

J. P. COOTMAN,

Managing Partner.

1 to 7, D'Aguilar Street.

Hongkong, January 20, 1894. 145

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATES

named:—

FOR STEAMSHIP. DATE. REMARKS.

SHANGHAI...Ravenna.....About 29th Jan.....Freight or Passage.

LONDON via MARSEILLES...Bombay.....About 30th Jan.....Freight or Passage.

LONDON, &c....Thunis.....Noon, 1st Feb.....See Special Advertisement.

SHANGHAI AND JAPAN...Formosa.....About 1st Feb.....Freight or Passage.

JAPAN...Verona.....Noon, 2nd Feb.....Freight or Passage.

LONDON....Cortes.....About 10th Feb.....[Freight or Passage (calling at MARSEILLES, if sufficient indomestic offers).]

For further Particulars apply to

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office. H. H. JOSEPH, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 20, 1894. 144

DAWSON'S PERFECTION

OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.

AL LISTON & CO., SOLE AGENTS, HONGKONG AND THE FAR EAST.

62, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL

Hongkong, November 11, 1893. 149

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifth

Ordinary General MEETING of

SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings on

MONDAY, the 29th January, 1894, at 12.30 o'clock, for the

purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1893.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the

Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, the 20th, to Wednesday, the 24th January, 1894, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELDON HOOPE, Secretary

To the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.

General Agents for the Kowloon Land Building Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, January 18, 1894. 145

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Telephone: 1,400 FEET ABOVE THE SEA LEVEL.

No. 35.

This Most Convenient and BEST-APPOINTED HOTEL in the Far East; situated in

the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, and adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony).

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.

The BED-ROOMS, with adjoining BATH-ROOMS, are lofty and well ventilated, open on spacious Verandas, lit by gas and fitted throughout with electric communication.

The READING, WRITING, and SMOKING ROOMS, LADIES' DRAWING ROOMS, the NEW BAR and PRIVATE BILLIARD ROOMS (six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience;

WINES and SPIRITS of the Best Brands only.

HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT POIZERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER, Manager.

Hongkong, October 21, 1892. 142

THE MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Telephone: 1,400 FEET ABOVE THE SEA LEVEL.

THE CHINA MAIL

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For Sale.

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JAPAN HAND-MADE PAPERS.
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PRICE VERY MODERATE.

ORDERS to be respectfully received by
the Undersigned.

MITSUBUSSAN KAISHA,
8, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, January 2, 1894.

FOR SALE.

CHINESE SCHOOL-BOOKS:
SAM-TS-Z-KING,
TS-I-N-TS-Z-MAN,
LITERALLY TRANSLATED AND EXPLAINED
BY
DR. E. J. EITEL.

PRICE: 15 CENTS PER COPY.
CHINA MAIL OFFICE,
Hongkong, May 17, 1893.

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To Let.

TO LET.
From 1st March, 1894.

THE PREMISES at QUEEN'S ROAD
CAPITAL No. 73, presently occupied
by the PACIFIC MAIL and DREDGING &
ORIENTAL S.S. CO.

Apply to
G. O. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.
Hongkong, January 5, 1894.

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HOUSE TO LET.
FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED.

STEWART TERRACE, PEAK.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, January 2, 1894.

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TO LET—FURNISHED.

N FOR Sixteen Months, from 1st April,
No. 3, MOUNTAIN VIEW, THE
PEAK.

Apply, by LETTER EUST, to
ALFRED J. MAY,
Victoria College

Hongkong, January 4, 1894.

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TO LET.

No. 2, PEDDER'S STREET, next to the
Post Office—suitable for OFFICES
or CHAMBERS.

Apply to
G. O. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.
Hongkong, March 1, 1893.

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TO LET.

NOS. 1, 5, 7 and 12, SEYMOUR-TERRACE
N THIRD FLOOR in No. 6, QUEEN'S
ROAD.
OFFICES IN VICTORIA BUILDINGS.

Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, January 17, 1894.

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TO LET.

D WELLING HOUSES—
"BAHR LODGE," at the PEAK.
"STOLZENFELS," at the PEAK.
"THE HILLSIDE," Caine
ROAD.

Nos. 2 and 8, CHANCERY LANE.

No. 6, GLENLEY BUILDINGS.

FLOORS IN BIG BUILDINGS.

FLOORS in ELGIN STREET, PELL

SQUARE and STANHOPE STREET.

FLOORS in No. 6, SHELLY
STREET.

NO. 1, 2 and 3, VICTORIA VIEW,
Kowloon.

NO. 11, ENTHROPE TERRACE, Kow-
loon.

OFFICES AND SHOPS—

FIRST FLOOR, NO. 4, Queen's
Road Central, over the BANK OF
CHINA, JAPAN & STRAITS, LTD.

GROUND FLOOR—UNDER HONG-
KONG HOTEL, Pedder's Street.

PEAK CENTRAL, over Messrs.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

GODOWNS—

BLUE BUILDINGS.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.

Hongkong, January 4, 1894.

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Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

LOTHIAN, Italian barque, Captain J. B.
Caffarelli—D. Musco.

MACMILLAN, British ship, Captain Robt.
Guthrie—Government.

W.M.T. HORUS, American ship, Capt. S.
Lancaster—Molobro & Co.

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To-day's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.

The Co.'s Steamship
"Thales".

Capt. BATURAYE will be
despatched for the above
Ports on TUESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 20, 1894.

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SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship
"Fonthill".

Captain DWYER, will be
despatched for the above
Port on the 29th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 20, 1894.

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SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

(Via Island Sea).

The Steamship
"Fonthill",
Captain DWYER, will be
despatched as above on
TUESDAY, the 30th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
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Hongkong, January 20, 1894.

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This a. M. Mr. Montagu left Singapore for this port to-day.

H.M.S. *Pallas*, with Admiral Fremantle on board, left for Macao at 9 o'clock this morning.

H.M.S. *Rodope* leaves for Canton on Tuesday next, 23rd inst. H.M.S. *Pigmy* is on her passage from Singapore to Hongkong.

Tax M. Co.'s a. *Natal* was to leave Shanghai for this port at 10.30 a.m. today (Saturday).

All hope has been given up of recovering for two or three days the bodies of two of the victims buried in the landlip yesterday morning.

It is notified that the portion of Seymour Road above No. 2 tank is in a dangerous condition and will be closed to traffic until further notice.

The *Battlefield* and Swire steamer *Woo-sung* arrived in company with the *Xue-fu* last night as we were going to press. She proceeded to the wharf at Kowloon, where the remainder of her cargo is being discharged preparatory to her going into Dock for repair. There is a hole in the fore part of the vessel, but the damage does not appear to be so serious as might have been expected.

At the Regular Meeting of the Victoria Chapter held on the 18th instant the following were elected and accepted office for the ensuing year:—M.E.Z., M. Ex. Comp. G. C. Anderson; H. Ex. Comp. J. W. Hemerly; J. M. Ex. Comp. A. D. Death; Treasurer, M. Ex. Comp. D. Gillies; Scribe E. Comp. J. Dyer Bell; Scribe N. Comp. Kirkwood; P.S. Comp. D. Macdonald; Junior, Comp. J. Maxwell.

This morning at the Magistracy Chan a San and Kam a Lam, the contractors for the excavations at Seymour Road by which seven men were killed yesterday, were brought before Captain Hastings at the Magistracy, charged by Inspector Hemerly with unlawfully causing the death of Wong a Fun and six others, through negligence on the 19th inst. They pleaded not guilty, and the case was remanded till Friday, 26th inst., at 10 a.m. Bail for each prisoner was fixed at \$5000, in two sureties of \$2500 each.

M. H. E. Wodehouse held an inquiry this morning into the circumstances connected with the death of a Chinaman on the night of 16th inst. A. Kauer, clerk to Messrs Arnold, Karberg and Co., stated that about 7 o'clock on the night of the 15th inst. he was standing on the verandah of the house near Pedder's wharf. He heard the splash of a man falling into the water, and saw a Chinaman throw a life buoy to the man in the water. Witness then went down to the street, and was told that the man had disappeared. There were only a few Chinamen standing about. He thought all was done that could be done to save the man's life except jumping into the water. A bystander told witness that he saw the deceased jump into the water. Evidence having been given of the recovery of the body a verdict of "found drowned" was recorded.

At the Magistracy this morning M. H. E. Wodehouse held an enquiry into the circumstances connected with the drowning of John Robertson, able seaman, *Kingfisher* of China, in the harbour on the evening of Saturday, 26th inst. It was stated by a shipmate that he left Pedder's wharf in a sampan along with the deceased, at 9.30 p.m. They got alongside the *Kingfisher* of China about 10 o'clock. Robertson was the worse for liquor, and had to be helped upon the gangway by the witness and a sampan man. When he got to the fourth step he overbalanced, and all three fell. The deceased and the sampan man fell into the water. With the aid of one of the quartermasters, the witness rescued the Chinaman, but no sign was seen of Robertson. The deceased was a Canadian; about 28 years of age. A lance-corporal of the Royal Engineers spoke to having found the body on the beach at Belcher's Point on Monday, 16th inst. His Worship found that deceased was accidentally drowned.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Chi Wing On ... \$10
Kwong Yu Yuen ... 10
Tang Kee Co. ... 5
Kwong Lun Tai ... 5
Yik Loong ... 5
Sun Kwong Hop ... 5
Wing San Wo ... 5
Po Sung Ching ... 5
Au Seng Chinese ... 5
Lei Hing ... 5
Sai Fung ... 5
Cheung Loong ... 5
Wing Shing Loong ... 5
Wo Cheung ... 5
On Fat Wing ... 5
Lai Hop Yuen ... 5
Tai Chan ... 5
Tau Cheung Hong ... 5
Hsing Yuen ... 5
Kwong Hong Cheung ... 5
Mow Tsoo ... 5
Tau Looc Tal ... 5
Wang Hing ... 5
Comparators, Messrs Garlow & Co., Comparators, Messrs W. G. Humphreys & Co. ... 5
Yee Shing ... 5
Yee Shing Shan ... 5
Young King ... 5
Samson ... 5
Tung Tak Tai ... 5
Yee On ... 5

'FEAGHANT WATER'S' MUSEUM
That the British Dollar recommended by the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce brings back memories of thirty years ago, when the bankers of this Colony frowned upon the Hongkong Mint.

That the possession of the plant of the Hongkong Mint, which was transferred to Japan, fired the Japanese with the desire to flood us with yen.

That in these days, when things are radically changed, the bankers again recommend, not a new mint, but a new coinage.

That most thinking men will say they are right, as a British coinage would not only prove a facility to trade, but would safeguard British interests in more ways than one.

That many visitors will be glad of the opportunity of seeing this locality and its attractive jumble of operas, callisthenics, and pantomime excellence.

That the truthfulness or otherwise of the witnesses for the prosecution in the recent inquestary case is one of the burning questions of the day.

That there was, I fancy, much that might have been said from a common sense point of view, and it seems to most people that if judgments in the suburbs are carried out in a workmanlike manner, it matters little what particular kind of pipes is used.

That the supervision is often much more important than the details of material used. That the half-year's result of the Hongkong Bank must be regarded as very satisfactory, and a few more years of such success will bring up the Reserve Fund to its previous magnificient proportions.

That if the prosperity of the Bank can still be looked upon as the backbone of the Colony's financial condition, then the improvement so frequently referred to must have a substantial foundation.

That the "Princes' Tea" will, it is said, be presented to the Queen during the "One Week," and for this will regret the "one turn more" for this very fine piece of staging and scenic art.

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BROWNIE.

JUVENILE SPORTS AT CENTRAL POLICE STATION.

This afternoon, by the kindness of Mrs. May, the wives and families of the European members of the Police Force were entertained to tea at the Police Station.

Previous to sitting down to the tea, we were also presented with gifts from the Captain Superintendent of Police.

The sports were held for the young ones, who were held for the young ones, who were also presented with gifts from the Captain Superintendent of Police.

That when a hill descends in this manner, and no evils result follow, I suppose it is looked upon as a sort of wind-fall, but when the hill buries a number of people in its descent the law desires to know the reason why.

That it is very sad to note these accidents occurring during the dry season, and while a certain amount of supervision is presumably being given to such matters as the rainy season is the most dangerous time.

That the sad death of seven workmen the other day ought to furnish the Coroner, the Magistrate, the Bench, and the Executive, or either or all of them (as the lawyers would say) with the opportunity of reading a lesson on this serious

That the Public Works Department must have a certain's experience of this kind, and it is alleged the Government surveyors do not possess sufficient power to deal with such cases.

That upon a business which has dealt in death so persistently for so many years, some check of an effectual kind must surely be within the reach of these in authority.

That the following is the prize-list:—

FLAT RACE FOR GIRLS.

Connie Corcoran ... 1
May Hennessy ... 2
Annie Mann ... 3

FLAT RACE FOR BOYS.

J. H. Witchell ... 1
Bob Corcoran ... 2
Dan Corcoran ... 3

TOE OF WAR.

The girls beat the boys.

Egg AND SPOON RACE.

May Hennessy ... 1
Lillie Witchell ... 2
Jameson ... 3

POXO AND BEAKER RACE (Boys).

Dorothy Corcoran ... 1
J. H. Witchell ... 2
Bob Corcoran ... 3

FORNO AND BUCKET RACE (Girls).

Connie Corcoran ... 1
Jessie Swanston ... 2
May Hennessy ... 3

OBSTACLE RACE (Boys).

Bob Corcoran ... 1
J. H. Witchell ... 2
Dan Corcoran ... 3

OBSTACLE RACE (Girls).

Connie Corcoran ... 1
Maggie Hennessy ... 2
Lottie Phelps ... 3

LECTURE ON SHORTHAND.

With the two-fold object of propagating phonography and to form a class for intending students, a well attended lecture was held last evening at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Institute, Queen's Road East, by Mr. Frederick J. Wilkins of H.M.S. *Rattler*. The Rev. G. H. Bonfield presided. In the course of his opening remarks the Chairman said, that although he recognised the injudicious of this unfair division of labour, but discovered he could do little or nothing to save to recommend a change in the law.

That when a Jury utterly and entirely forgot his summons as an adjudicator of the rights and wrongs of his fellowmen, the Chief Justice became a human Judge, and dealt leniently with the man of short and treacherous memory.

That this leniency seems to encourage loss of memory, and the other day a new one began, and a Jury was fined, more in severity than in anger, by the worthy Judge.

That the entire system of naming and otherwise dealing with Special and Common Jurors needs revision is quite clear, and I am glad to hear the Government has been addressed on the subject.

That I should have thought the Court possessed more power than it seems to think it possesses, and had more discretion than it chose to exercise, but as shrewd Sir Fielding and the wise Registrar ought to know best, an amended law will perhaps check probable profanity and possible bloodshed.

That some Jurors are to be congratulated, and others deserve commination, over the present unequal condition of juries.

That a little bird whispered some ominous rumors about the treatment of certain high officials to favoritism.

That the Colonial Secretary announced the other day he had done what he could to remove him, and that he was not to be held responsible.

That I hear the question of a month's entertainment allowance—necessarily a considerable item, considering the reputation of the Colony for good digestion waiting on the Officer Administering the Government during the Governor's absence, had been raised.

That many residents, in a certain sense, be entreated to hear that this question was raised at all, seeing that the entertainment officially referred to was not observable.

That like the Retrenchment Commission, this important matter is likely to be referred to the Secretary of State, and, like most other despatches, the reference would have perchance to be drafted by the entertainer himself.

That whether it bore the stereotyped minute "Agree," "B," or "N," will perhaps never be known.

That the new Sanitary Superintendent has been investigating the dead bucket system, and has made one or two remarks which show that he recognises its importance to the health of this community.

That the only absolute necessity in connection with this wholesome custom is that it be covered up as effectually as possible.

That the Superintendent, therefore, in recognition of this necessity, paid special attention to the covers—indeed, more attention than he did to the wording of part of his report.

That he speaks of poorer people being provided with buckets of a less uniform type, with covers which are in many cases broken and defective, and occasionally cut together, maimed.

That though I was not aware the new Superintendent had an Irish way of putting things, he has, all the same, pointed out the weak point in the working of this branch of our sanitary arrangements.

That it will be a sorry day for Hongkong when the existing system is abandoned, although details may perhaps be materially improved upon.

That Mr. Humphreys could not re-open the question of the "Quarry Bay pie," after

last meeting, as the master had been dislodged by the Board.

a few enthusiastic spectators, members of the "In Oriente Prince" Evercirculator.

A hearty vote of thanks was then accorded the chairman, who, for himself and on behalf of the audience, thanked the lecturer for his entertaining and instructive discourse.

THE ATTEMPTED MURDER AT KOWLOON.

MANUFACTURED PHOSPHORINE.

Abdullah Khan, private, Hongkong Regt., who is charged with shooting at and wounding Hawilah Nor Mahomed in the camp of Regiment on the morning of the 18th January, was again brought before Mr. H. E. Wodehouse at the Magistracy this morning.

Lau Khan, private, Hongkong Regt., on the 18th inst., after 8 a.m., I was standing by Shahar Khan in the barracks compound at Kowloon. I heard a shot fired about four paces away from me. I heard another shot fired, and then the complainant cried out "I am murdered!" I took a notice of the shot because I thought some of the soldiers were firing. The complainant was on the ground about four paces from me. While he was on the ground I saw the defendant standing over Nor Mahomed with a revolver in his hand. As I looked he fired two shots and ran towards the barracks. This was Hawilah Nor Mahomed.

He was taken to the Hospital. The Hospital private, Hongkong Regt.,

responded with a great speech.

There were no questions. The Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. W. H. Ray seconded the motion, which was carried nem. con.

On the motion of Mr. Danby, seconded by Mr. Jordan, the appointment of Mr. Hutton as a director in place of Mr. Wodehouse.

Mr. Danby's motion was confirmed.

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